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In re Application of:

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For: VEHICLE RADIO SYSTEM WITH

CUSTOMIZED ADVERTISING

NOTIFICATION OF

IDENTIFICATION OF PRIOR ART IN LATE FILED PROTEST

UNDER 37 CFR 1.129(a)

The protest filed March 4, 2004 under 37 CFR 1.291 was filed after the December 5, 2002 publication date of the application.

Because the protest was filed after publication of the application, it is untimely and it is not being entered in the application file. The original protest is enclosed with this letter and the duplicate copy is being discarded in accordance with MPEP 1901.06, Protest Filed After Allowance or Publication of the Application.

If appropriate, applicant may wish to consider submitting prior art from the protest pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.56 during the prosecution of the application.

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